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SUBJ: RHODESIA: SITHOLE LEGAL ADVISOR URGES MOVEMENT ON
US, UK PROPOSAL

1. ZAPU (SITHOLE) LEGAL ADVISOR DAVID ZAMUCHIYA
MET DECEMBER 23 WITH EMBOFF FOR DISCUSSION OF CURRENT
STATE OF PLAY OF SALISBURY TALKS AND STATUS OF
ANGLO-AMERICAN PROPOSALS. ZAMUCHIYA, WHO WORKS
AT ZAMBIAN MINISTRY OF LEGAL AFFAIRS, WENT TO SALIS-
BURY FOR THE CARVER-CHAND TALKS, BUT RETURNED
TO LUSAKA PRIOR TO THE OPENING OF SMITH'S CURRENT
INTERNAL SETTLEMENT DISCUSSIONS. HE IS SITHOLE'S
CHIEF REP IN ZAMBIA AND ONE OF HIS SHARPEST ADVISORS.

2. ZAMUCHIYA SAID HE ONLY HAD SKETCHY INFORMATION
ON WHAT WAS HAPPENING IN SALISBURY. COMMUNICATIONS
HAVE BEEN SPORADIC AND "WE DON'T DARE SAY MUCH
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ON THE TELEPHONE." ZAMUCHIYA SAID HE DID NOT STAY
FOR THE CURRENT TALKS BECAUSE HE WAS CONVINCED THAT
SMITH WAS NOT YET READY TO "GO FAR ENOUGH IN THE
CONTEXT OF THE ANGLO-AMERICAN PROPOSALS" TO ALLOW
THE DISCUSSIONS TO LEAD TO AN ACCEPTABLE SETTLEMENT.
HE SAID HE PERSONALLY STILL FEELS THAT THE UK-US
PLAN OFFERS THE BEST CHANCE FOR A RESOLUTION OF THE

ZIMBABWE PROBLEM.

3. THE LACK OF VISIBLE MOVEMENT ON THE ANGLO-AMERICAN PROPOSAL, ZAMUCHIYA SAID, PLACES GREAT PRESSURE ON MUZOREWA AND SITHOLE. ALTHOUGH BOTH OF THEM STRONGLY SUPPORT THE PROPOSALS, THERE IS A GROWING FEELING

THAT THOSE INSIDE RHODESIA MUST COME UP WITH THEIR OWN SETTLEMENT IF THE US-UK PLAN SEEMS TO BE DYING. ZAMUCHIYA SAID THAT HE IS WORRIED THAT "OUR PEOPLE IN SALISBURY MIGHT ACCEPT LESS THAN COULD BE ACHIEVED" UNDER THE ANGLO-AMERICAN PROPOSALS.

4. COMMENT: ZAMUCHIYA'S CONCERN IS OBVIOUSLY REAL. AT A TIME WHEN THERE IS LITTLE VISIBLE MOVEMENT

ON THE PROPOSALS, A KEY FRONTLINE LEADER HAS "WITHDRAWN" FROM THE DEBATE, AND THE PATRIOTIC FRONT PUBLICLY REFUSES TO TALK TO THE BRITISH ABOUT THE PLANS, THE TEMPTATION TO DEAL IN SALISBURY FOR HALF A LOAF IS CONSIDERABLE. LOW

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